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SUBJECT: ABCC

1. FONOFF INFORMED EMBASSY THAT AS OF 1300 SATURDAY JULY 15 THEY WOULD ISSUE VERY BRIEF PRESS STATEMENT CONCERNING UPCOMING ABCC TALKS IN TOKYO. ROUGH TRANSLATION FOLLOWS IN THREE PARAGRAPHS.

2. QTE JAPAN-US GOVERNMENT DISCUSSIONS ON FUTURE OF ABCC, WHICH IS LOCATED IN HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI, WILL BE HELD FROM JUNE 18 TO 21 IN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN TOKYO. OPENING OF DISCUSSIONS WILL BE ATTENDED BY DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS YAMAZAKIN AND MR. SABURI, NEWLY-APPOINTED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PUBLIC HEALTH BUREAU, MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE.

3. QTE FOLLOWING MOST RECENT DISCUSSION ON FUTURE OF ABCC, WHICH TOOK PLACE IN TOKYO IN APRIL 1973, TWO GOVERNMENTS MAINTAINED CONTACT THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS IN ORDER TO SEEK APPROPRIATE WAYS TO OPERATE ABCC ON PRINCIPLE OF EQUAL PARTICIPATION, AND TO SECURE CONTINUATION OF RESEARCH ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE THERE. DISCUSSIONS ABOUT TO COMMENCE IN TOKYO WILL BE BASED ON SUBSTANCE OF THESE PREVIOUS CONTACTS.

4. QTE DISCUSSIONS WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN DR. LIVERMAN OF AEC ET AL. ON US SIDE, AND MR. MATSUURA ET AL. ON JAPANESE SIDE. UNQTE

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5. EMBOFF CONFIRMED THAT WE HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS BRIEF STATEMENT,

BUT WARNED AGAINST ANY SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENT WHICH WOULD ATTEMPT TO
PREDICT OUTCOME OF DISCUSSIONS. FONOFF FULLY AGREED WITH LATTER
POINT, AND ADDED THAT REASON FOR MAKING STATEMENT WAS PARTLY TO
COUNTER SPECULATION ALREADY APPEARING IN HIROSHIMA NEWSPAPERS.

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